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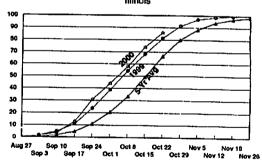
Agricultural Summary

Fog and rain showers early in the week slowed harvest progress but drier conditions prevailed and allowed farmers to continue harvest using 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork statewide last week. Topsoil moisture content is varied across the state from essentially dry in the north to wet in the south. Field conditions in areas of the south have softened to the point where wet holes in the field are being left as harvest progresses in the more solid areas of the field. Lodged corn and beans also continue to slow harvest progress in the northern areas of the state. Soybean harvest progressed to 87 percent complete with double crop beans in the south accounting for a number of these acres yet to be harvested. Corn harvest advanced to 86 percent complete compared to 81 percent at this time last year and the average of 67 percent. Wheat seeding continued and stood at 68 percent complete compared to 82 percent last year and the average of 78 percent. Other activities last week included spreading fertilizer, chisel plowing and the "ever popular" LDP processing.

Crop Progress Table

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Crop Stage	: : 2000	: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	5-Year Average		
	October 22				
CORN:					
Harvested	86	81	67		
SOYBEANS:					
Harvested	87	87	83		
SORGHUM:					
Mature	100	99	92		
Harvested	77	70	50		
WINTER WHEAT:					
Seeded	68	82	78		
Emerged	28	42	40		

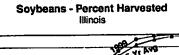
Corn - Percent Harvested Illinois

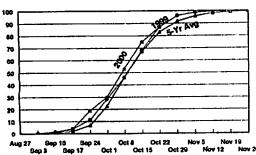


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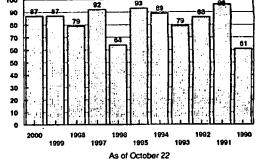
Crop Condition Table

Crop	: Very Poor :	Poor	:	Fair	: G	600d :	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	0c1	tober	- 20			
Pasture	3	10		27		50	10





Soybeans - Percent Harvested Illinois



Crop Progress by Districts Table

District	:	Corn Harvested	:	Soybeans Harvested				
		October 22						
Northwest		76		90				
Northeast		72		92				
West		91		84				
Central		93		88				
East		94		95				
W Southwest		91		86				
E Southeast		80		79				
Southwest		93		81				
Southeast		91		79				

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	:	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	: : Ve	ery Short :		l Moisture : Adequate :	Surplus
		October 14 - 20	October 20				
Northwest		6.8		2	27	71	0
Northeast		6.7		7	36	57	0
West		5.4		8	29	63	0
Central		5.8		0	19	81	0
East		6.1	•	· 9	31	51	9
W Southwest		3.9		1	4	69	26
E Southeast		5.2		0	0	58	42
Southwest		4.2		5	14	63	18
Southeast		5.1		6	11	70	13
State		5.6		4	20	64	12

Weather Information Table

.		Temperature		:		
Location :	Maximum	•	Departure	: Precipitation		
		: :		: 		
39		October 16 - 22				
Northwest:						
Freeport	78	39	7	0.00		
Kewanee	78	37	7	0.02		
Moline	81	40	8	0.00		
Mount Carroll	81	37	8	0.00		
Paw Paw	73	36	5	0.06		
Rochelle	79 	39	7	0.04		
Rockford	78	37	7	0.00		
Northeast:						
Aurora	77	35	6	0.01		
Chicago	7 7	38	6	0.08		
De Kalb	78	38	7	0.04		
Lake Villa	. 77	39	7	0.09		
McHenry	_	37	6	0.01		
Morris	78	39	9	0.04		
Ottawa	81	40	7	0.00		
Park Forest	77	39	6	0.08		
West:			•	0.00		
Bentley	78	42	7	0.17		
Galesburg	78	41	9	0.00		
Quincy	77	43	6	0.00		
Central:			v	0.21		
Bloomington	79	42	6	0.06		
Decatur	76	41	4	0.06		
Lincoln	78	40	6	0.18		
Peoria	77	41	7	0.19		
East:			,	0.04		
Champaign	77	40	c			
Pontiac	78	42	6 7	0.11		
West Southwest:	. •	42	,	0.06		
Carlinville	76	42	F			
Morrisonville	76	39	5	0.54		
Springfield	. 0 77	39	4	0.04		
East Southeast:	.,	33	5	0.09		
Brownstown	78	43	_			
Flora	76		8	0.65		
Hutsonville	76	42 42	5	1.24		
Iuka	78 78	42	5	0.70		
Lawrenceville	76 76	43	4	1.01		
Newton	74	43	5	0.75		
Paris	77	42	5	0.94		
Windsor	78	36	7	0.12		
Southwest:	, 0	30	6	0.10		
Carbondale	76	40	F			
Lebanon	76 77	40	5	1.09		
Olive Branch	7 <i>7</i>	45	5	1.56		
Southeast:	/0	42	5	0.42		
Mt Vernon	75	4 1				
MC ACTION	/5	41	4	0.73		

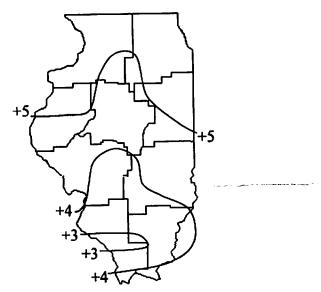
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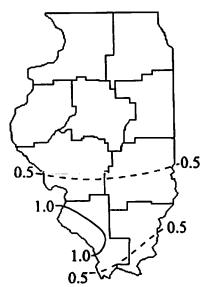
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Temperature (°F) Departure October 16 - 22



Precipitation (in.) Total October 16 - 22

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